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ROBOTROPOLIS.
READY, SNIVELY?
OF COURSE, YOUR EXCELLENCY...
WELL, GET ON WITH IT, DOLT!
VZEEEE
IT IS TIME TO SEE IF MY WEEKS OF EXPERIMENTATION HAVE PAID OFF!
P-PLEASE... I BEG OF YOU... I HAVE KIDS...
SOMEHOW, I JUST CAN'T SEEM TO CARE.
AH-HA! IT WORKED! THE ROBOTICIZER TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY ADAPTED TO MY OWN SYSTEMS.
I NOW HAVE THE POWER TO ROBOTICIZE WITH BUT THE SLIGHTEST TOUCH!

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KODOS!
AND HE'S INSANE FROM TOXIC WASTE POISONING--
--ACTING LIKE A CRAZED BEAST!
ARACHNIS TOLD ME WHERE SHE'S HIDDEN THE SWORD OF ACORNS...
"...NOW, I'VE GOT TO FIND IT BEFORE KODOS!"
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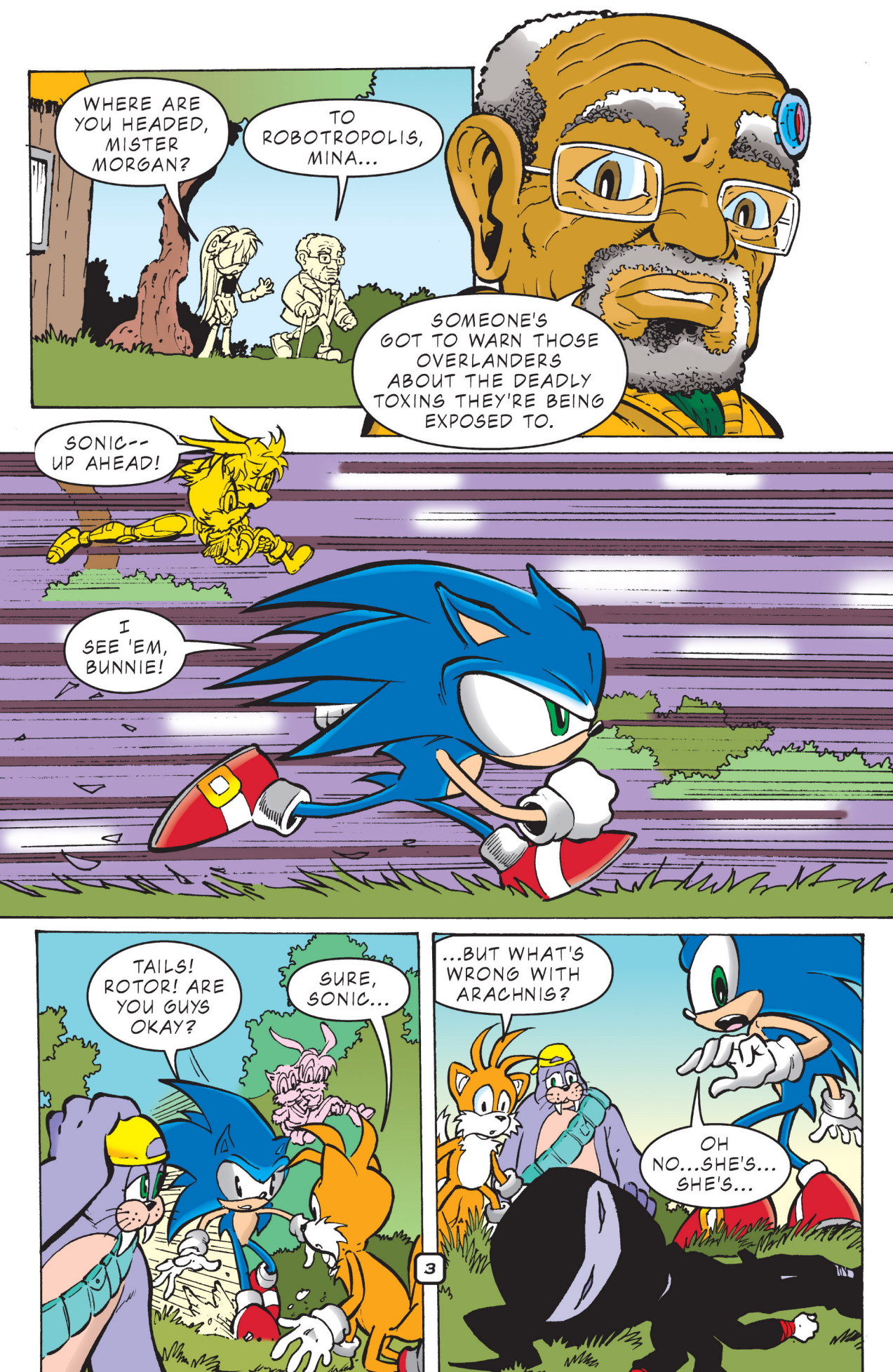
WHERE ARE YOU HEADED, MISTER MORGAN?
TO ROBOTROPOLIS, MINA...
SOMEONE'S GOT TO WARN THOSE OVERLANDERS ABOUT THE DEADLY TOXINS THEY'RE BEING EXPOSED TO.
SONIC-- UP AHEAD!
I SEE 'EM, BUNNIE!
TAILS! ROTOR! ARE YOU GUYS OKAY?
SURE, SONIC...
...BUT WHAT'S WRONG WITH ARACHNIS?
OH NO...SHE'S... SHE'S...
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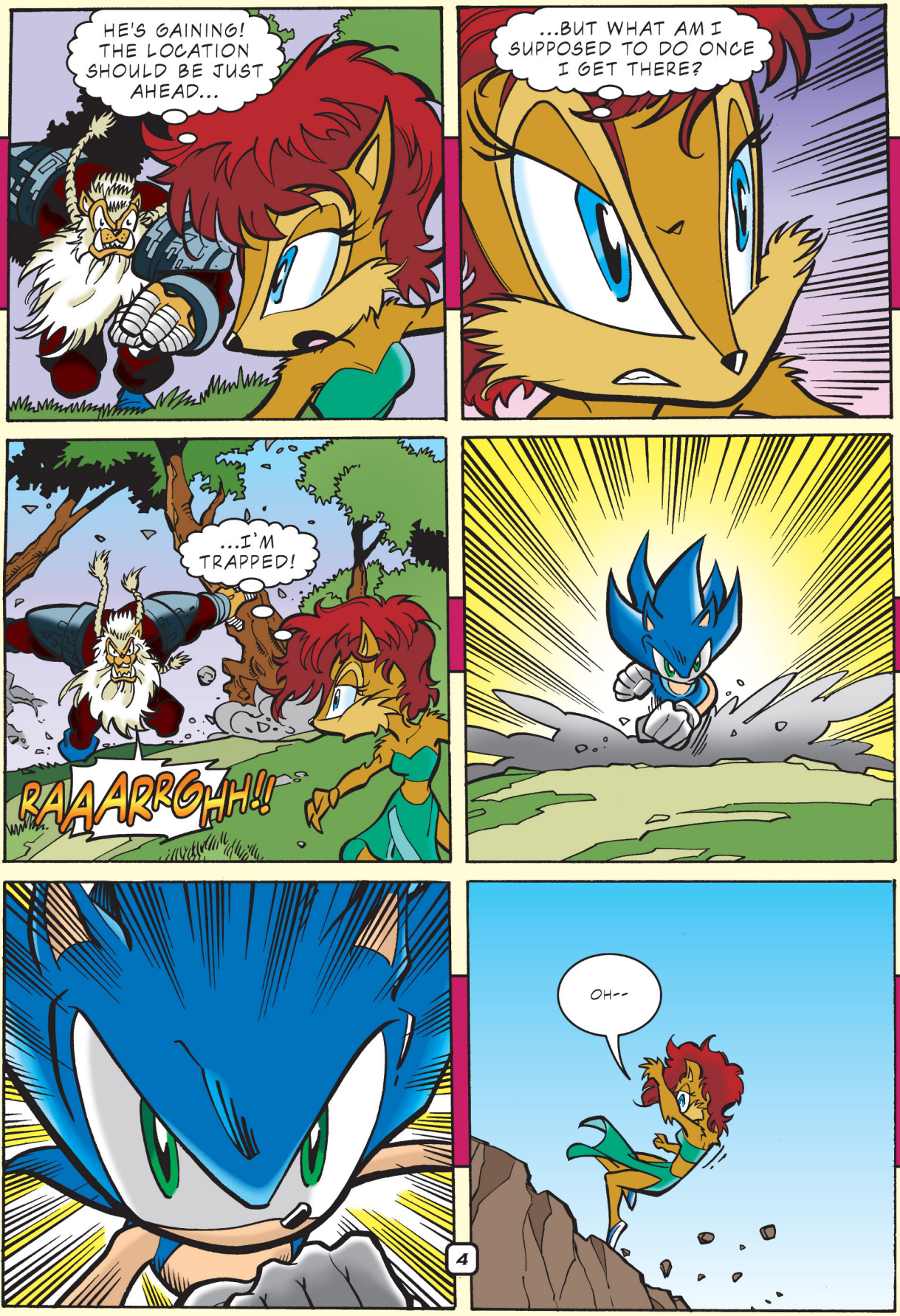
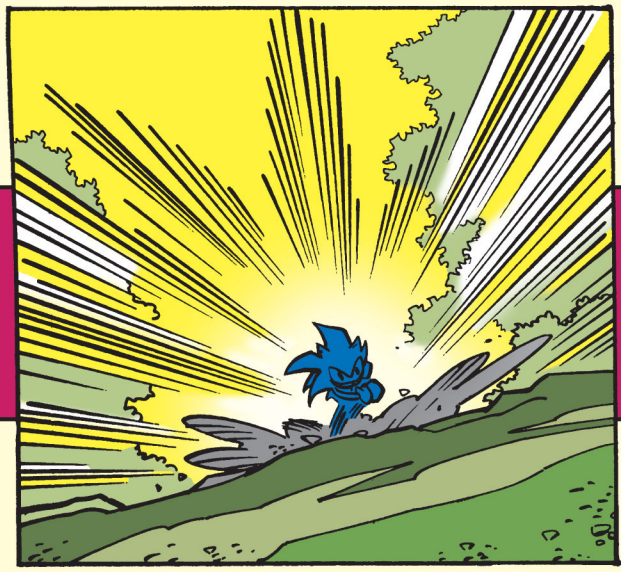
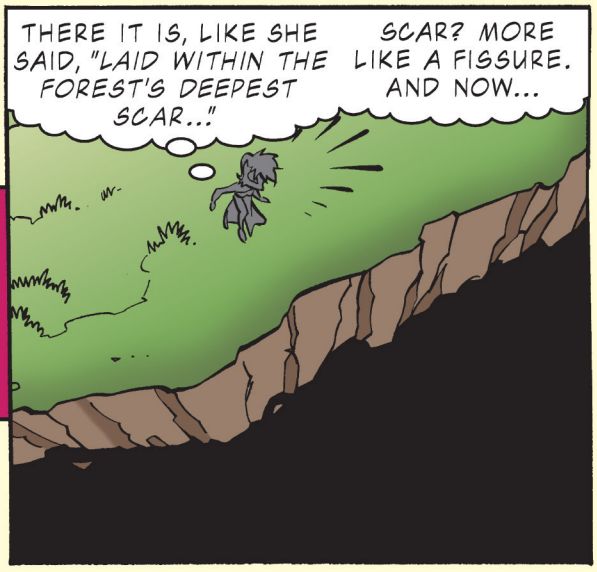
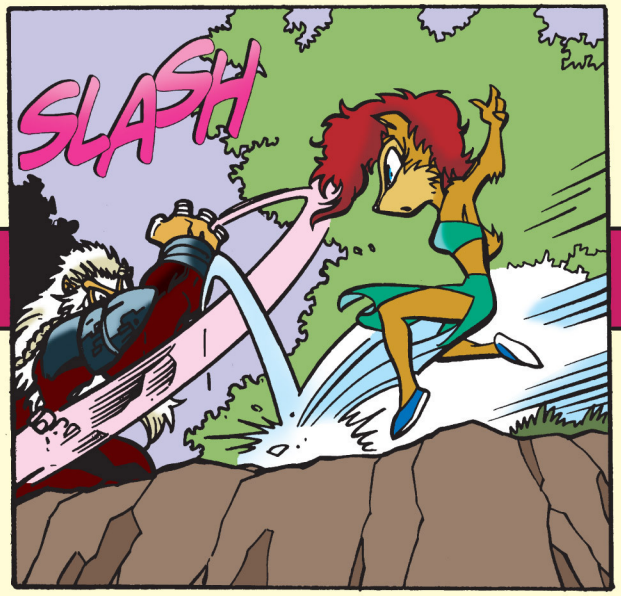

HE'S GAINING! THE LOCATION SHOULD BE JUST AHEAD...
...BUT WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO ONCE I GET THERE?
...I'M TRAPPED!
RAAARRGHH!!
OH--




THERE IT IS, LIKE SHE SAID, "LAID WITHIN THE FOREST'S DEEPEST SCAR..."
SCAR? MORE LIKE A FISSURE. AND NOW...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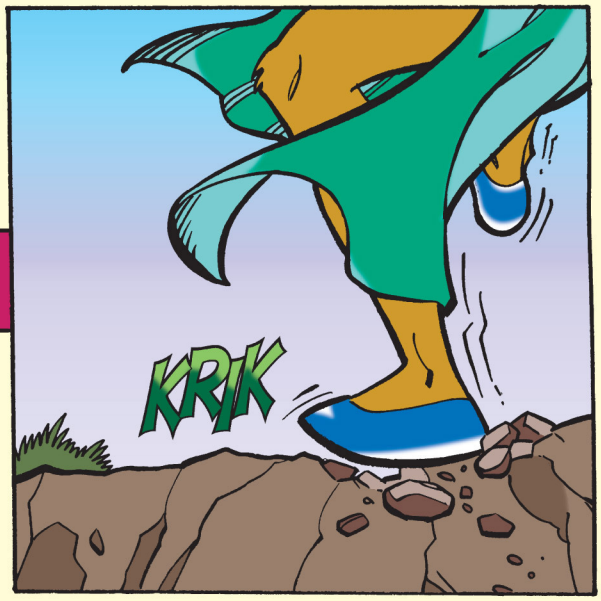
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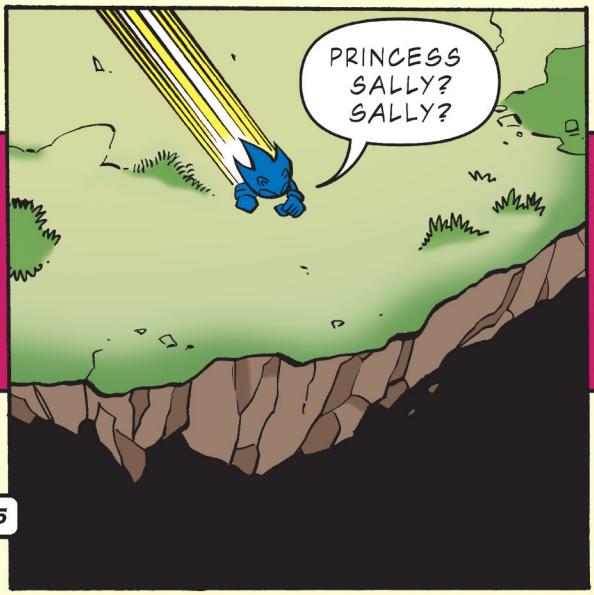
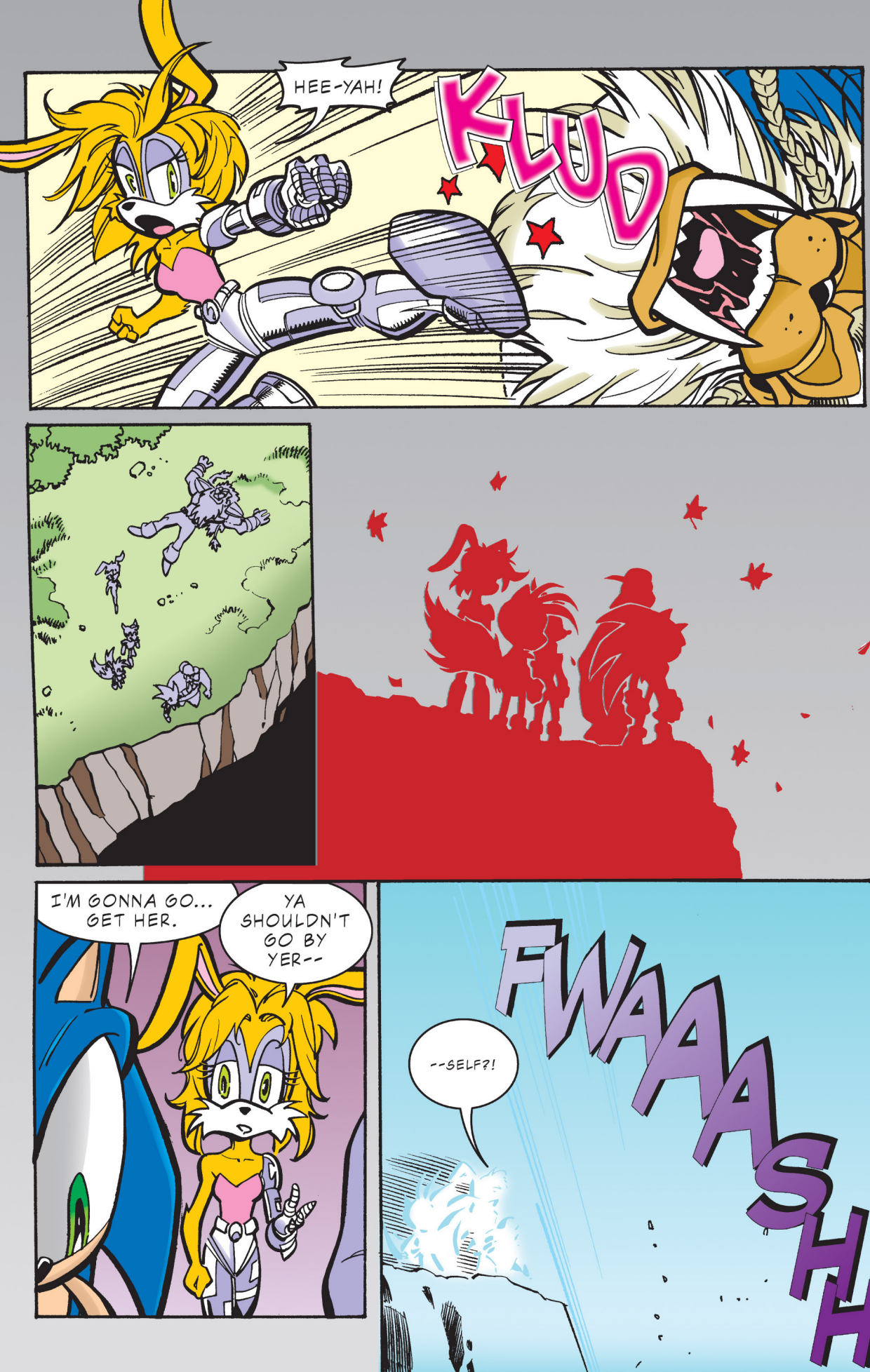
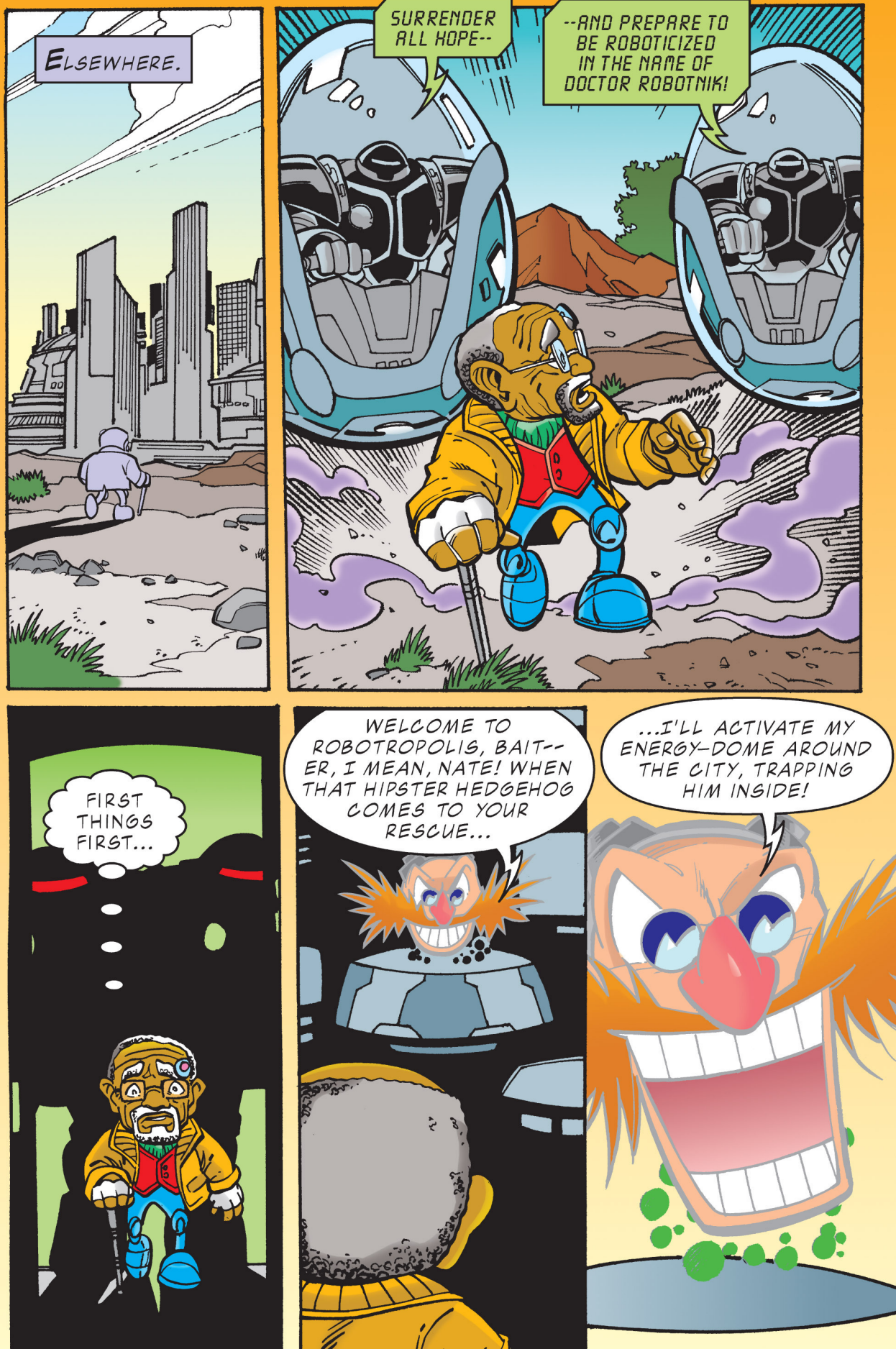
NOOOOOOOO!!


PRINCESS SALLY? SALLY?

SALLY!!
SAL...
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT, KODOS!
KRAK
RAAARGHH!
POINK
TOUCHÉ!
THWOH
SONIC...
I WASN'T FAST ENOUGH, ROTOR...
WE TRIED OUR BEST...WE WERE JUST TOO LATE.


HEE-YAH!
KLUD
I'M GONNA GO... GET HER.
YA SHOULDN'T GO BY YER--
--SELF?!
FWAASHH


ELSEWHERE.
SURRENDER ALL HOPE--
--AND PREPARE TO BE ROBOTICIZED IN THE NAME OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!
FIRST THINGS FIRST...
WELCOME TO ROBOTROPOLIS, BAIT--ER, I MEAN, NATE! WHEN THAT HIPSTER HEDGEHOG COMES TO YOUR RESCUE...
...I'LL ACTIVATE MY ENERGY-DOME AROUND THE CITY, TRAPPING HIM INSIDE!

YOU'RE... OKAY...?
THE SWORD'S VESSEL IS UNBREAKABLE.
SAL...?
RRRRRRRRR
RAAARRGHH!!
ZAM
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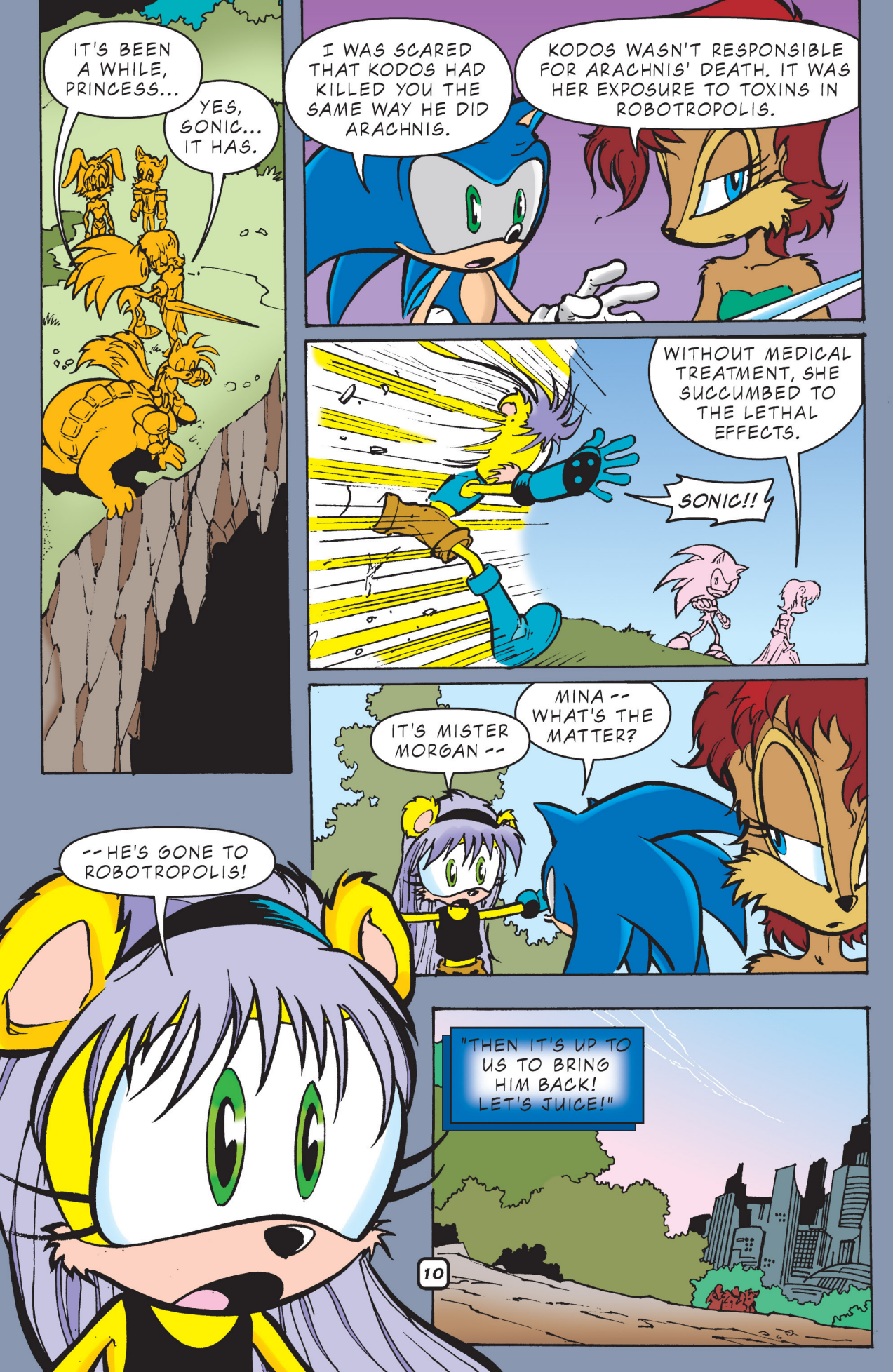
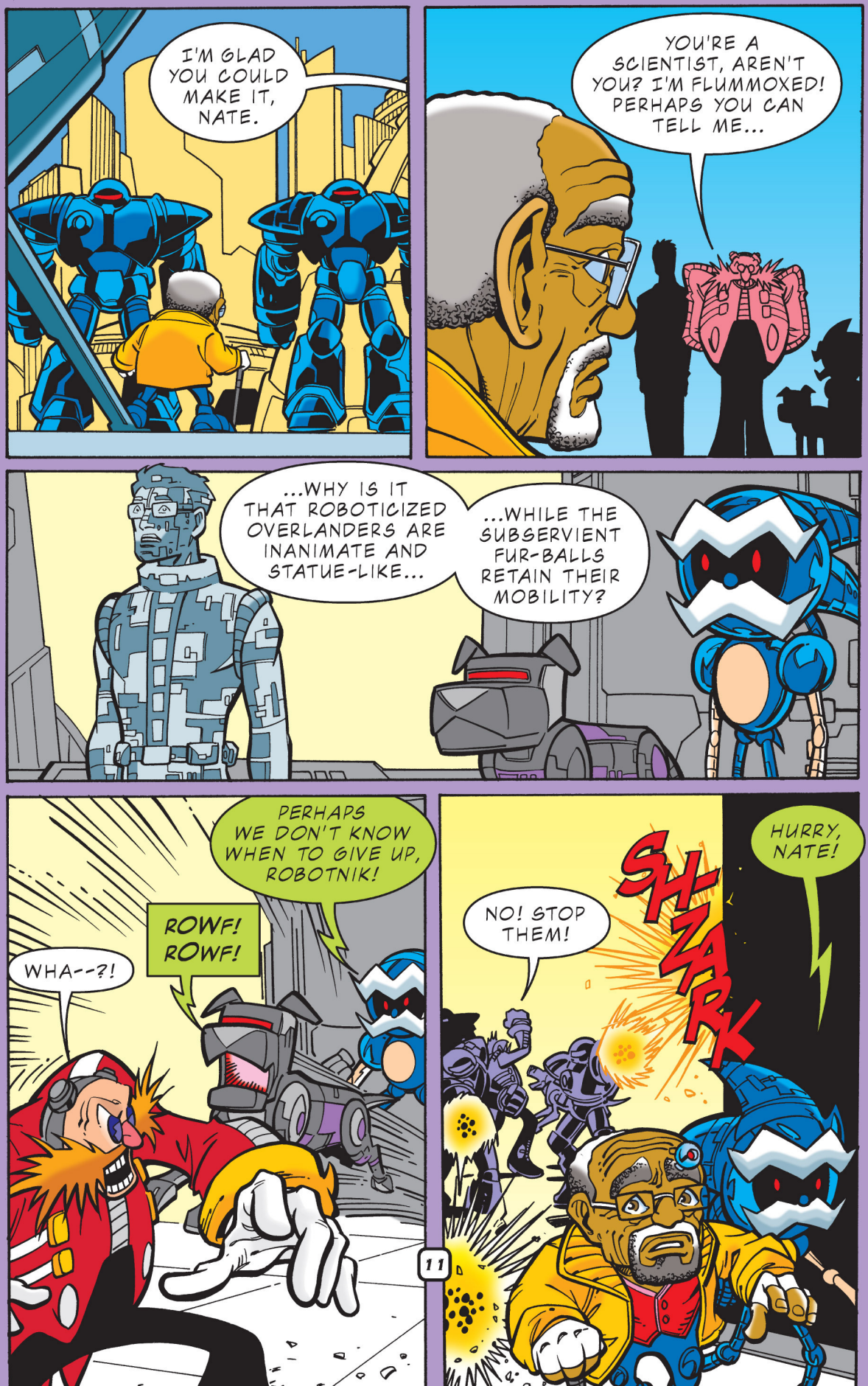

IT'S BEEN A WHILE, PRINCESS...
YES, SONIC... IT HAS.
I WAS SCARED THAT KODOS HAD KILLED YOU THE SAME WAY HE DID ARACHNIS.
KODOS WASN'T RESPONSIBLE FOR ARACHNIS' DEATH. IT WAS HER EXPOSURE TO TOXINS IN ROBOTROPOLIS.
WITHOUT MEDICAL TREATMENT, SHE SUCCUMBED TO THE LETHAL EFFECTS.
SONIC!!
IT'S MISTER MORGAN --
MINA -- WHAT'S THE MATTER?
--HE'S GONE TO ROBOTROPOLIS!
"THEN IT'S UP TO US TO BRING HIM BACK! LET'S JUICE!"


I'M GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT, NATE.
YOU'RE A SCIENTIST, AREN'T YOU? I'M FLUMMOXED! PERHAPS YOU CAN TELL ME...
...WHY IS IT THAT ROBOTICIZED OVERLANDERS ARE INANIMATE AND STATUE-LIKE...
...WHILE THE SUBSERVIENT FUR-BALLS RETAIN THEIR MOBILITY?
PERHAPS WE DON'T KNOW WHEN TO GIVE UP, ROBOTNIK!
ROWF! ROWF!
WHA--?!
NO! STOP THEM!
SH-ZARK
HURRY, NATE!
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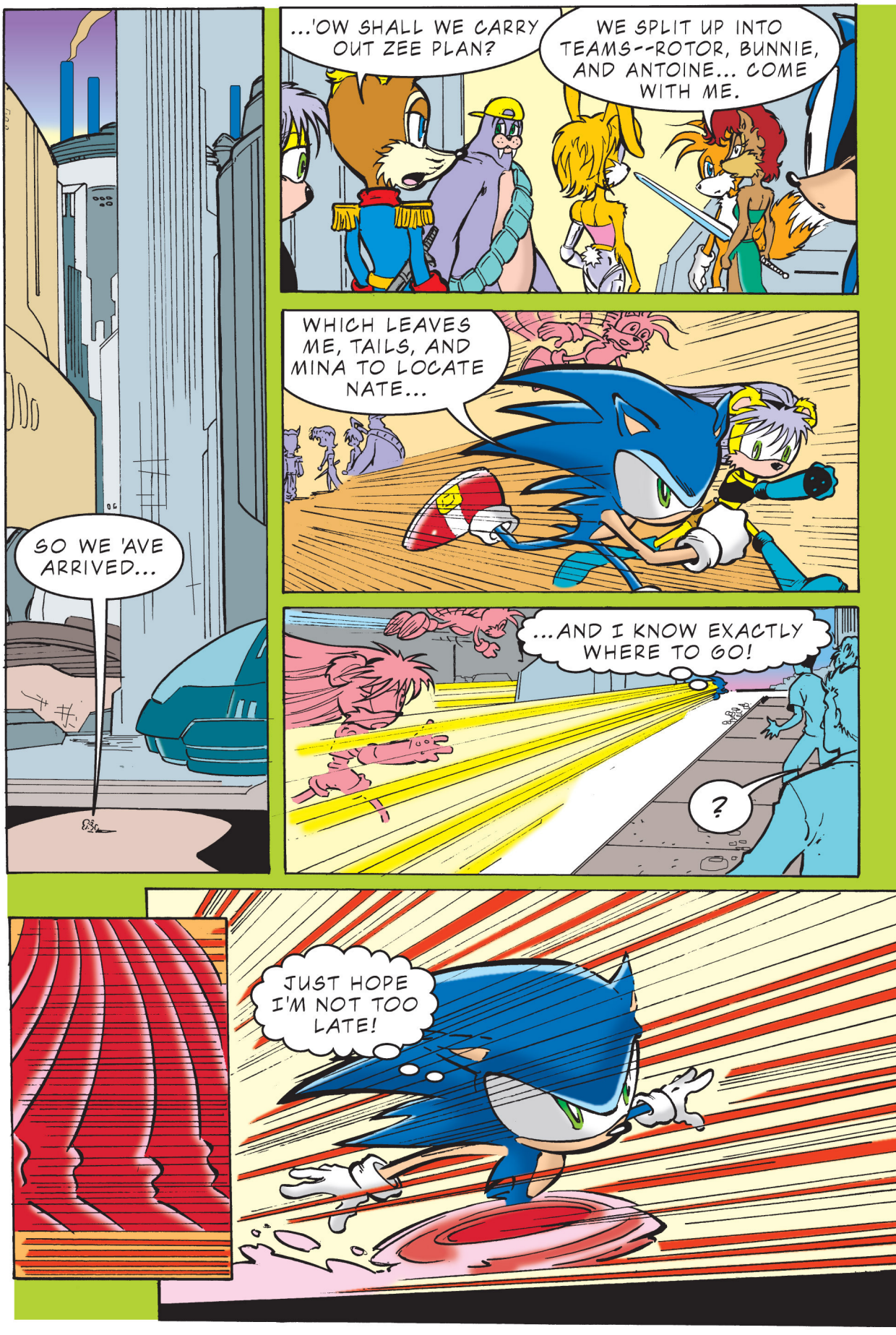
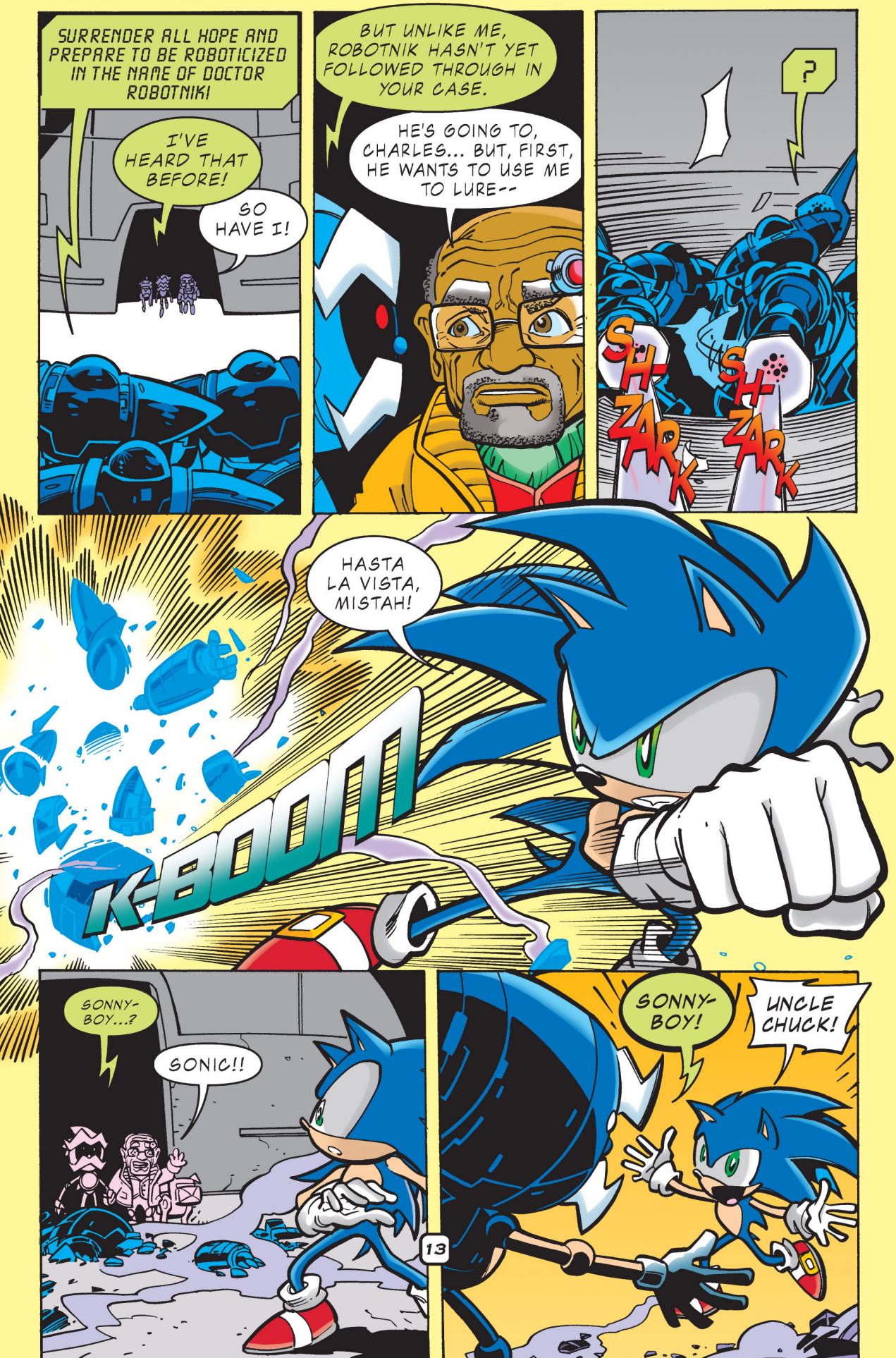

SO WE 'AVE ARRIVED...
...'OW SHALL WE CARRY OUT ZEE PLAN?
WE SPLIT UP INTO TEAMS--ROTOR, BUNNIE, AND ANTOINE... COME WITH ME.
WHICH LEAVES ME, TAILS, AND MINA TO LOCATE NATE...
...AND I KNOW EXACTLY WHERE TO GO!
?
JUST HOPE I'M NOT TOO LATE!


SURRENDER ALL HOPE AND PREPARE TO BE ROBOTICIZED IN THE NAME OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!
I'VE HEARD THAT BEFORE!
SO HAVE I!
BUT UNLIKE ME, ROBOTNIK HASN'T YET FOLLOWED THROUGH IN YOUR CASE.
HE'S GOING TO, CHARLES... BUT, FIRST, HE WANTS TO USE ME TO LURE--
?
SH-ZARK
SH-ZARK
HASTA LA VISTA, MISTAH!
K-BOOM
SONNY-BOY...?
SONIC!!
SONNY-BOY!
UNCLE CHUCK!

MEANWHILE...

THEY'RE IN HERE, GANG-- ROTOR, CLOSE THE DOOR.

YOU GOT IT, PRINCESS!

THIS PLACE EEZ GIVING ME ZEE CREEPIES!

DON'T WORRY, ANTOINE...

...FINDING THE ROBOTICIZED MOBIANS WAS THE EASY PART.

WHAT COMES NEXT WILL REQUIRE MUCH...

...MORE!

FWAAASHH

HUH? YOUR HIGHNESS? WHAT HAPPENED...?

WHERE ARE WE...?

IN AN UNSAFE PLACE...BUT NOT FOR LONG! THIS WAY!

?!

WAY PAST COOL, SAL--YOU USED THE SWORD TO FREE EVERY ROBOTICIZED MOBIAN IN TOWN!
WE SURE SCRAMBLED THE EGGMAN'S PLAN, HUH?
DON'T GET OVERCONFIDENT, SONIC--WE STILL HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!
NOT A CHANCE-- NOT WHILE THE ENERGY-DOME IS STILL WORKING...
ARE WE BEING INVADED?
SURRENDER ALL HOPE AND PREPARE TO BE--
NNNNNB
HAVE A NICE "TRIP!"
SKRASH
OH NO-- THE ENERGY-DOME!
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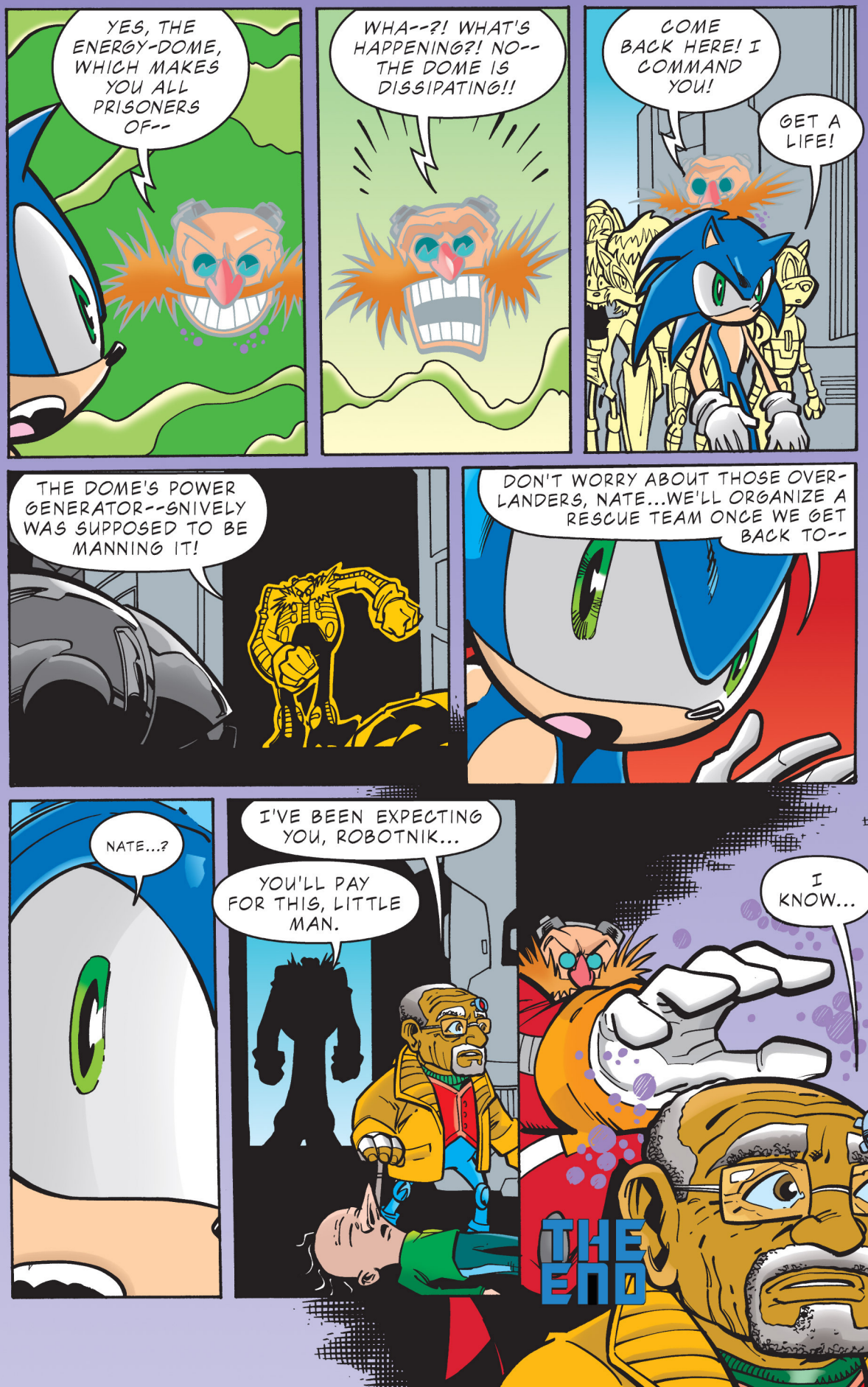

YES, THE ENERGY-DOME, WHICH MAKES YOU ALL PRISONERS OF--
WHA--?! WHAT'S HAPPENING?! NO-- THE DOME IS DISSIPATING!!
COME BACK HERE! I COMMAND YOU!
GET A LIFE!
THE DOME'S POWER GENERATOR--SNIVELY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE MANNING IT!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THOSE OVER-LANDERS, NATE...WE'LL ORGANIZE A RESCUE TEAM ONCE WE GET BACK TO--
NATE...?
I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU, ROBOTNIK...
YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS, LITTLE MAN.
I KNOW...
THE END

A LONG, LONG TIME AGO ON THE FLOATING ISLAND...

The brothers, Dimitri and Edmund, submitted a plan to restore the Floating Island to its original site on the surface of Mobius--

--which was immediately rejected by those who feared the process to be too dangerous.

IN A FIT OF RAGE, DIMITRI DECIDED TO ATTEMPT HIS SCHEME AND WAS ABLE TO HARNESS THE POWER OF THE CHAOS EMERALDS FOR HIS OWN ENDS.

BEFORE DIMITRI GREW TOO POWERFUL, THE JOINT FORCES OF THE ECHIDNA AND FIRE-ANTS WERE ABLE TO OVER-COME HIM, COLLAPSING THE TOWER DIMITRI CREATED WHERE HE WOULD LIE BURIED FOR THE AGES.

MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED YEARS LATER, EDMUND'S DESCENDENT, KNUCKLES, ASSUMED THE MANTLE OF GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND WHEN HIS OWN FATHER, LOCKE, HAD MYSTERIOUSLY VANISHED.

AS THE YEARS PASSED, THE BURDEN OF HIS LONELINESS EASED AS KNUCKLES BEFRIENDED A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WHICH, IN TURN, BECAME A CLOSE-KNIT GROUP.

MIGHTY

VECTOR

ESPIO

CHARMY

ARCHIMEDES

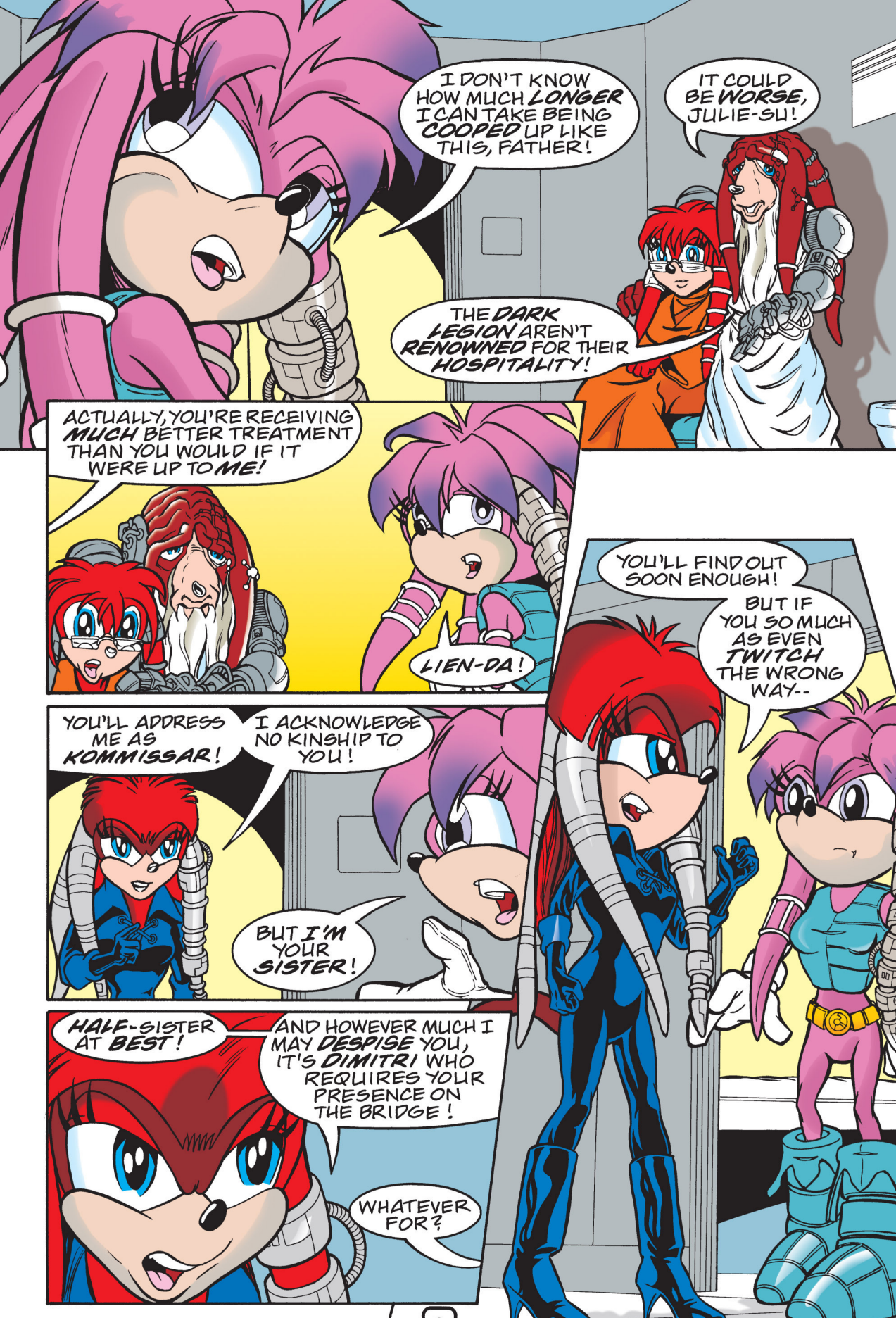
UNEXPECTEDLY, DIMITRI EMERGED FROM HIS CRYPT, REBORN AS THE ENTITY KNOWN AS ENERJAK, AND THREATENED TO BEGIN ANEW WHERE HE HAD LEFT OFF --

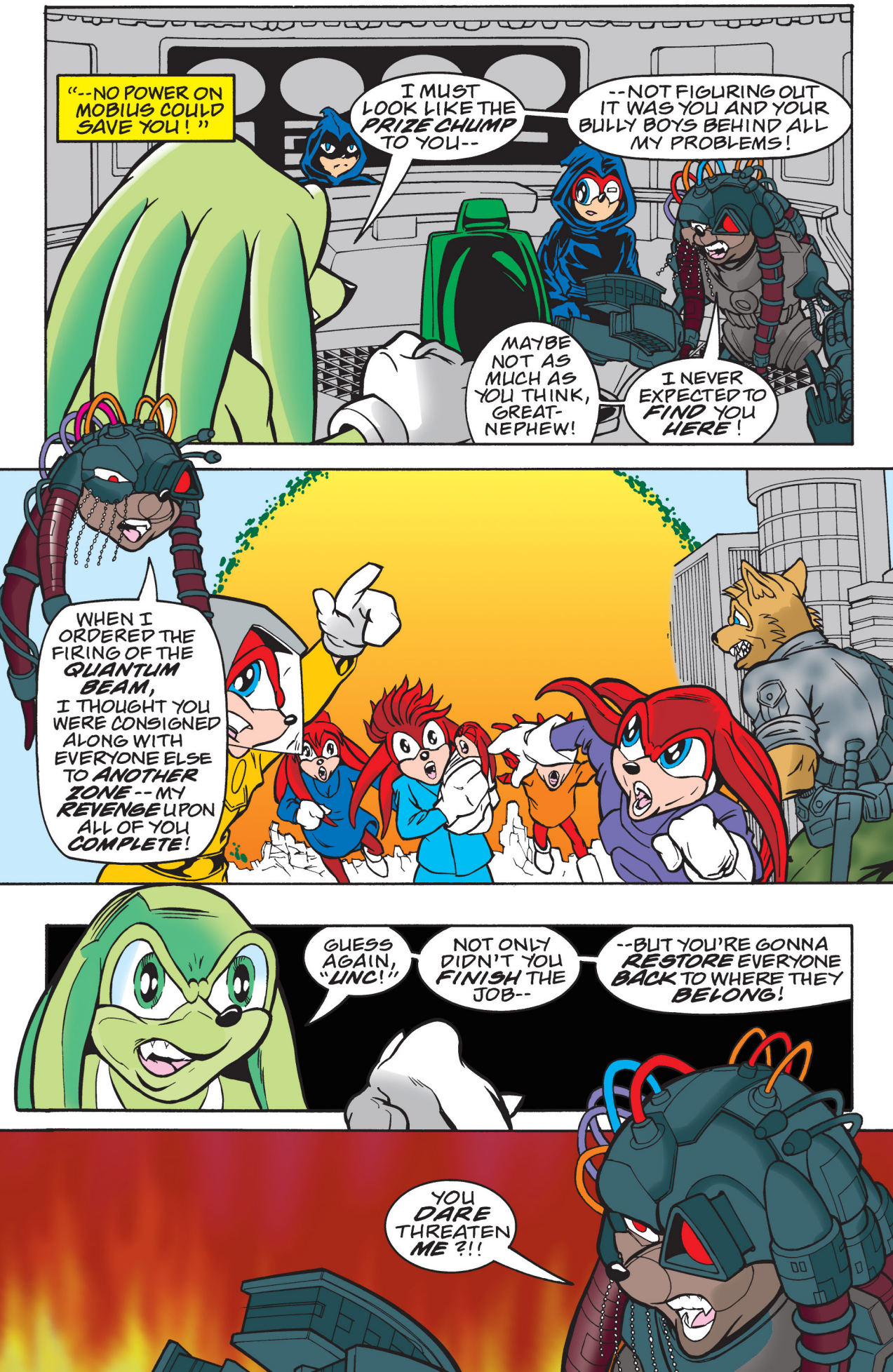
--UNTIL KNUCKLES AND THE FIRE-ANT, ARCHIMEDES, DEFEATED HIM.

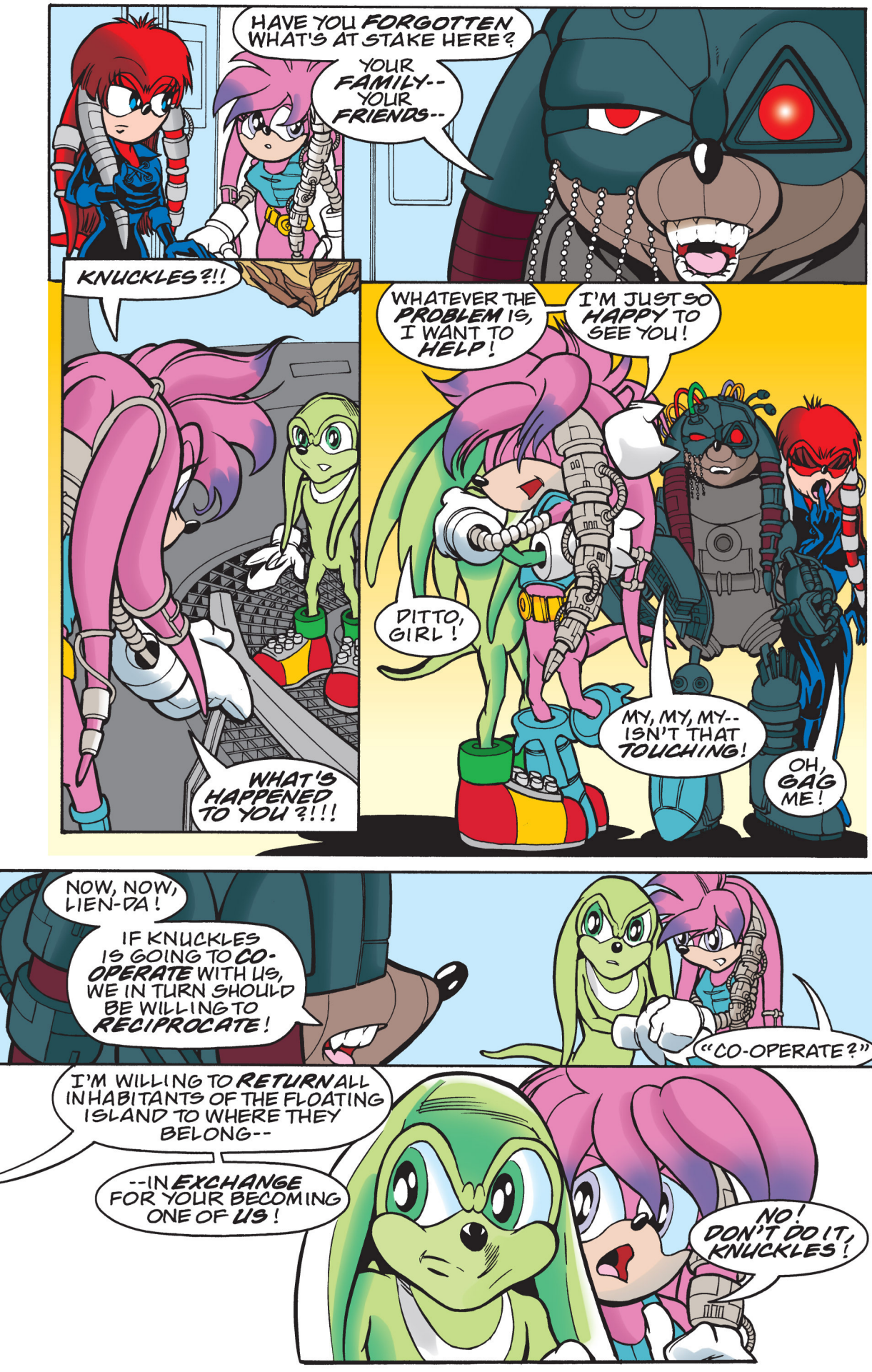
A GROUP OF DIMITRI'S FOLLOWERS--KNOWN AS THE DARK LEGION--SOON INVADED THE FLOATING ISLAND. THEIR PLANS WERE SOON FOILED BY KNUCKLES, AND EVENTUALLY, ONE OF THEIR MEMBERS--A COMELY LASS KNOWN AS JULIE-SU--FELL IN LOVE WITH HIM.

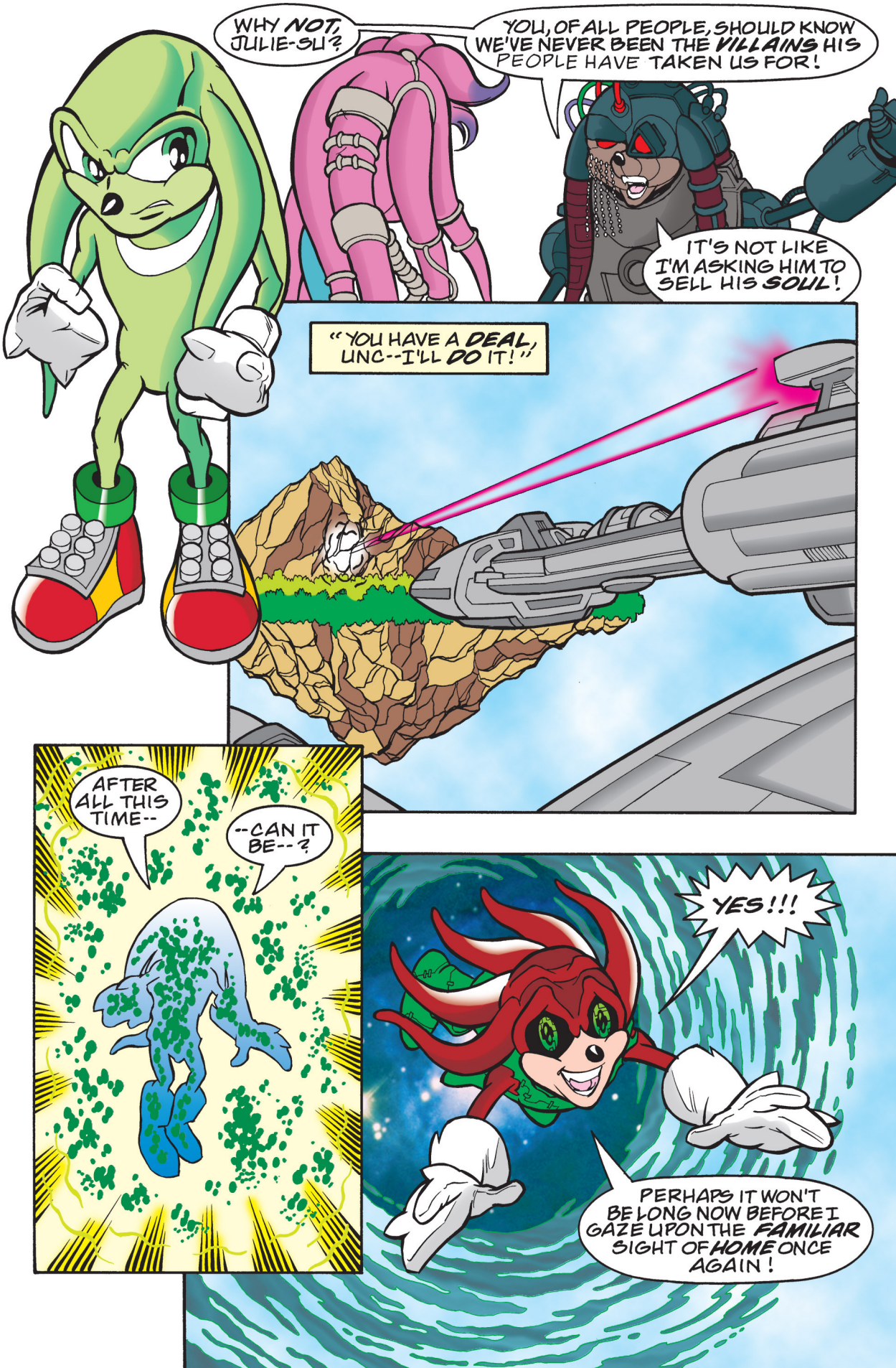
DIMITRI WOULD AGAIN RETURN TO THREATEN KNUCKLES AND HIS FRIENDS, BUT ANOTHER ENEMY STEPPED IN AND DRAINED HIM OF HIS CHAOS-BASED POWERS, WHICH RESULTED IN DIMITRI REQUIRING CYBERNETIC IMPLANTS IN ORDER TO SAVE HIS OWN LIFE.

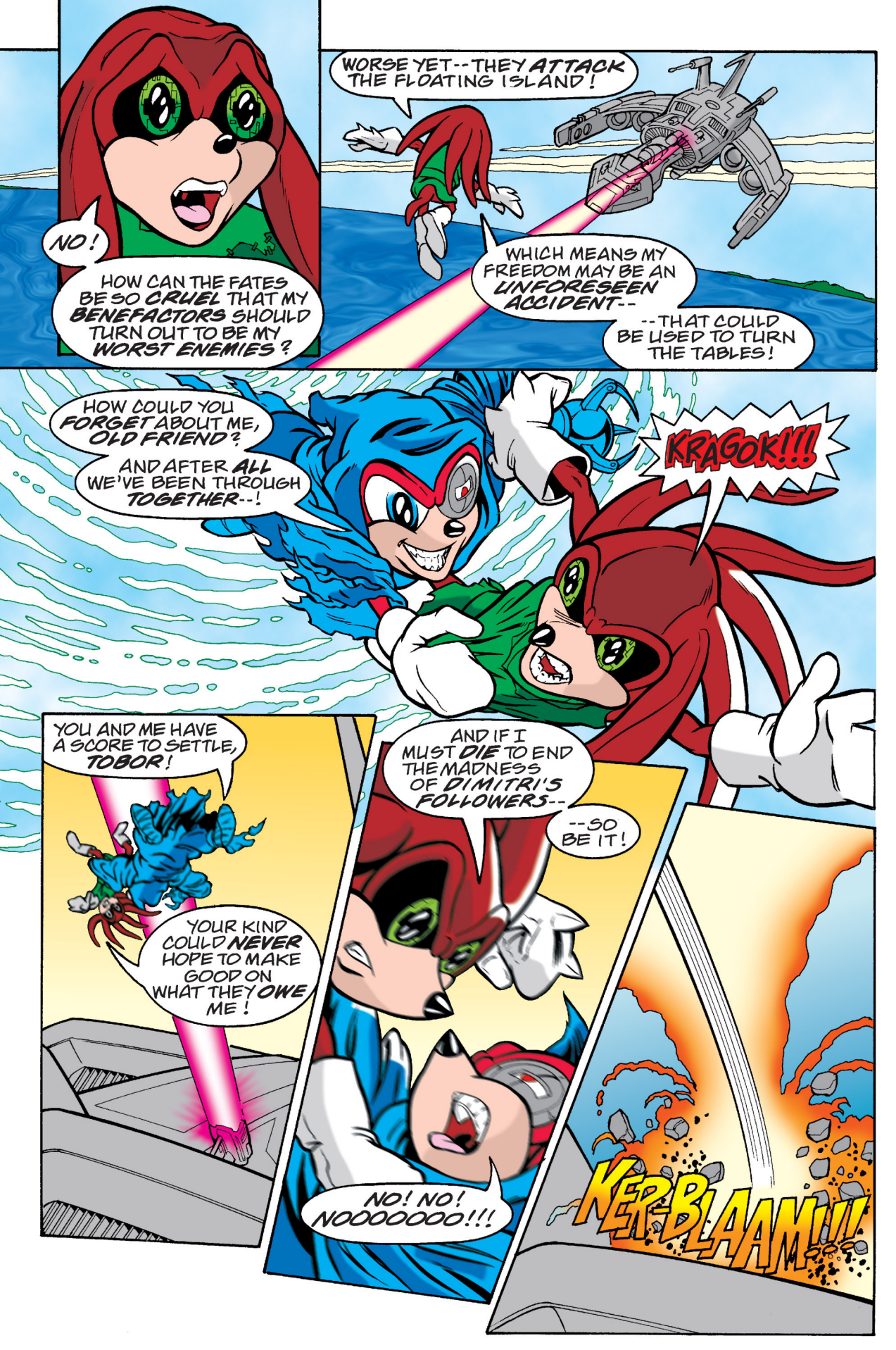
AND NOW, KNUCKLES AND DIMITRI MEET AGAIN...


I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER I CAN TAKE BEING COOPED UP LIKE THIS, FATHER!
IT COULD BE WORSE, JULIE-SU!
THE DARK LEGION AREN'T RENOWNED FOR THEIR HOSPITALITY!
ACTUALLY, YOU'RE RECEIVING MUCH BETTER TREATMENT THAN YOU WOULD IF IT WERE UP TO ME!
LIEN-DA!
YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH!
BUT IF YOU SO MUCH AS EVEN TWITCH THE WRONG WAY--
YOU'LL ADDRESS ME AS KOMMISSAR!
I ACKNOWLEDGE NO KINSHIP TO YOU!
BUT I'M YOUR SISTER!
HALF-SISTER AT BEST!
AND HOWEVER MUCH I MAY DESPISE YOU, IT'S DIMITRI WHO REQUIRES YOUR PRESENCE ON THE BRIDGE!
WHATEVER FOR?


"--NO POWER ON MOBIUS COULD SAVE YOU!"
I MUST LOOK LIKE THE PRIZE CHUMP TO YOU--
--NOT FIGURING OUT IT WAS YOU AND YOUR BULLY BOYS BEHIND ALL MY PROBLEMS!
MAYBE NOT AS MUCH AS YOU THINK, GREAT-NEPHEW!
I NEVER EXPECTED TO FIND YOU HERE!
WHEN I ORDERED THE FIRING OF THE QUANTUM BEAM, I THOUGHT YOU WERE CONSIGNED ALONG WITH EVERYONE ELSE TO ANOTHER ZONE -- MY REVENGE UPON ALL OF YOU COMPLETE!
GUESS AGAIN, "UNC!"
NOT ONLY DIDN'T YOU FINISH THE JOB--
--BUT YOU'RE GONNA RESTORE EVERYONE BACK TO WHERE THEY BELONG!
YOU DARE THREATEN ME?!!


HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN WHAT'S AT STAKE HERE?
YOUR FAMILY-- YOUR FRIENDS--
KNUCKLES?!!
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU?!!!
WHATEVER THE PROBLEM IS, I WANT TO HELP!
I'M JUST SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU!
DITTO, GIRL!
MY, MY, MY-- ISN'T THAT TOUCHING!
OH, GAG ME!
NOW, NOW, LIEN-DA!
IF KNUCKLES IS GOING TO CO-OPERATE WITH US, WE IN TURN SHOULD BE WILLING TO RECIPROCATE!
"CO-OPERATE?"
I'M WILLING TO RETURN ALL INHABITANTS OF THE FLOATING ISLAND TO WHERE THEY BELONG--
--IN EXCHANGE FOR YOUR BECOMING ONE OF US!
NO! DON'T DO IT, KNUCKLES!


WHY NOT, JULIE-SU?
YOU, OF ALL PEOPLE, SHOULD KNOW WE'VE NEVER BEEN THE VILLAINS HIS PEOPLE HAVE TAKEN US FOR!
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M ASKING HIM TO SELL HIS SOUL!
"YOU HAVE A DEAL, UNC--I'LL DO IT!"
AFTER ALL THIS TIME--
--CAN IT BE--?
YES!!!
PERHAPS IT WON'T BE LONG NOW BEFORE I GAZE UPON THE FAMILIAR SIGHT OF HOME ONCE AGAIN!


NO!
HOW CAN THE FATES BE SO CRUEL THAT MY BENEFACTORS SHOULD TURN OUT TO BE MY WORST ENEMIES?
WORSE YET--THEY ATTACK THE FLOATING ISLAND!
WHICH MEANS MY FREEDOM MAY BE AN UNFORESEEN ACCIDENT--
--THAT COULD BE USED TO TURN THE TABLES!
HOW COULD YOU FORGET ABOUT ME, OLD FRIEND?
AND AFTER ALL WE'VE BEEN THROUGH TOGETHER--!
KRAGOK!!!
YOU AND ME HAVE A SCORE TO SETTLE, TOBOR!
YOUR KIND COULD NEVER HOPE TO MAKE GOOD ON WHAT THEY OWE ME!
AND IF I MUST DIE TO END THE MADNESS OF DIMITRI'S FOLLOWERS--
--SO BE IT!
NO! NO! NOOOOOOO!!!
KER-BLAAM!!!

WHAAM!!!
ALL STATIONS REPORT!
AT EASE!
WE COULD BE UNDER ATTACK!
NO.
THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT NOW.
"WHAT DO YOU KNOW THAT WE DON'T?"
DON'T FEAR, MY SON--
--AS I WILL SHOW YOU THE WAY!
AM I DEAD, FATHER?
YOU HAVE TRANSCENDED YOUR CORPOREAL SHELL, MY SON!
WHAT HAPPENS NOW, FATHER?

SOMETHING WONDERFUL!
DAMAGE CONTROL REPORTS A HULL BREACH IN SECTION C-17, BUT THE SITUATION OVERALL IS UNDER CONTROL!
EXCEPT FOR THE QUANTUM CANON! THAT'S BEEN ZEROED OUT!
SO MUCH FOR MY METHODS OF RESTORING ORDER!
WHAT ABOUT ME?
IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO TO SAVE MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS?
I CAN SHOW YOU, KNUCKLES--
--BUT MY WAY HAS NEVER BEEN THE PATH YOUR SIDE OF THE FAMILY HAS FOLLOWED!
MAYBE IT'S TIME--
--I TRIED SOMETHING NEW!
WELL THEN, KNUCKLES--

WELCOME TO THE DARK SIDE!
JOIN US AS WE BEGIN A JOURNEY TO THE INNERMOST DEPTHS OF ONE'S BEING, PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY
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BE HERE NEXT ISSUE AS KNUCKLES BEGINS HIS EXPERIMENTATION WITH REALITY-- AND SEVERAL VARIATIONS OF IT.